IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

LISA BROWN, M.D.,)
Plaintiff)
v.) Civil Action No. 05-32E
HAMOT MEDICAL CENTER,)
Defendant)

RESPONSES TO PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION OF DOCUMENTS

Defendant Hamot Medical Center ("Hamot"), by and through its counsel, hereby responds to plaintiff Lisa Brown's ("plaintiff") First Request for Production of Documents and states as follows:

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Hamot has not completed its investigation of the facts related to this case, has not completed discovery, and has not completed preparation for trial. All of the Responses contained herein are based only upon such information and documents that are presently known to Hamot. Further discovery and analysis may supply additional facts and establish new factual or legal contentions that Hamot may assert.

These Responses are made solely for the purpose of and in relation to this action. Each response is given subject to all appropriate objections, including without limitation, objections concerning competency, relevancy, materiality, propriety and admissibility. All such objections and grounds thereof are reserved and may be raised in subsequent proceedings.

The following responses include, as requested, documents and information not only of Hamot but of Hamot's agents, representatives, and, unless privileged, Hamot's attorneys.

The phrasing of the following responses is not necessarily that of Hamot, but is, in some cases, the phrasing of the persons mentioned in preceding paragraph.

The following responses are given without prejudice to Hamot's right to produce evidence of any subsequently discovered fact or contention that Hamot may later develop. These Responses furnish knowledge, facts and information presently available and, as requested, if subsequent or different information is obtained before trial, these responses will be appropriately supplemented, either formally or informally by communicating the information to all parties. No duty to supplement these answers is undertaken except as provided in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

GENERAL OBJECTIONS

- 1. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent they are unreasonably repetitive and cumulative in nature, thereby effectively harassing defendant.
- 2. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent that they seek information and documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 3. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent that they seek information or documents that constitute attorney-work product, contain privileged attorney-client communications, or are otherwise privileged from disclosure under the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act or otherwise.

- 4. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent that they seek disclosure of and information about documents and other tangible materials that have been prepared in anticipation of litigation or for trial.
- 5. Defendant objects to the document requests to the extent they seek documentation or information primarily or exclusively within the possession, custody, or control of plaintiff, or available from a source other than defendant that is more convenient, less burdensome or less expensive.
- 6. Defendant objects to the document requests to the extent that they seek confidential, proprietary or commercially sensitive information, without the entry of an appropriate protective order.
- 7. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent that they seek to impose obligations that are beyond the scope permitted by the Local and Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.
- 8. Defendant objects to the requests to the extent that they are not limited in time or scope, and/or to the extent they seek documents relating to a time period prior to plaintiff's entry into Defendant's Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Training Program on July 1, 2001, on the grounds that they are not relevant, nor reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and on the further grounds that they are overly broad and unduly burdensome.
- 9. Defendant's failure to object to any of the requests on a particular ground or grounds shall not be construed as a waiver of its right to object on such ground or grounds at any time.

RESPONSES TO DOCUMENT REQUESTS

1. Produce a copy of all documents which refer or relate to the selection process for candidates for Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

2. Produce a copy of Hamot's affirmative action plans or policy statements from 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to this request to the extent it seeks documents that relate to a time period prior to July 2001. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, any affirmative action plans or policy statements in effect from 2001 to the present will be produced as requested.

3. Produce a copy of Hamot's EEO-1 reports for the period 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the request to the extent it seeks discovery of documents related to a time period prior to July 2001.

4. Produce a copy of any form of outreach or recruitment by Hamot to attract female residents to the Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is vague, ambiguous and confusing. Defendant further objects to this request because it purportedly seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

5. Produce a copy of any form of outreach or recruitment by Hamot to attract female residents to any of its residency programs.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is vague, ambiguous and confusing. Defendant further objects to this request because it purportedly seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.

6. Produce a copy of any surveys, research reports, or summaries thereof, or any other data, that show the utilization of females in all job categories at Hamot in comparison to the utilization of females in the same or similar job categories in other organizations in Hamot's industry.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is vague, ambiguous and confusing. Defendant further objects to this request because it purportedly seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Finally, defendant objects to the request to the extent that it is not limited in time to the period arising on or after July 1, 2001. Subject to, and without waiving these objections, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

7. Produce a copy of all personnel files, permanent files, or their equivalent which includes information about the resident's history, qualifications, evaluations, or performance, for all residents in the Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and in particular to the extent that is seeks documents from a period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving

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them, defendant will produce Plaintiff's personnel file, as well as those for other residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program during Plaintiff's term of enrollment.

8. Produce a copy of all personnel files, permanent files, or their equivalent, for any female who was ever admitted to the Orthopaedic Residency Program at any time.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Defendant further objects to the extent that the request seeks documents related to a period prior to July 1, 2001, on the grounds that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome, as well as not relevant, nor reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession.

9. Produce a copy of all application documents from females who were not admitted to the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program from 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further because the request seeks document related to a period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of the applicants to the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program.

10. Produce a copy of all personnel files for any resident admitted to the Orthopaedic Residency Program who was terminated from the Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents relating to the time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of the former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody and control.

11. Produce a copy of all personnel files for any resident admitted to the Orthopaedic Residency Program whose contract was not renewed.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents relating to the time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of the former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody and control.

12. Produce a copy of all personnel files for any resident admitted to the Orthopaedic Residency Program who resigned from the Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents relating to the time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of the former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery

Residency Program. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody and control.

13. Produce a copy of any notes, memorandums, recordings of conversations, or documents recorded or received regarding plaintiff's performance.

Response: Defendant objects to this request on the ground that it is overly broad and unduly burdensome, and to the further extent that is seeks documents protected from discovery by the attorney-client privilege, work-product privilege and/or Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

14. Produce a copy of all records referring or relating to disciplinary action taken against residents of Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

15. Produce a copy of all records referring or relating to academic probation imposed on residents of Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

16. Produce a copy of all records referring or relating to the failure of any resident to meet the advancement criteria in the Advancement and Dismissal Policy of Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

17. Produce a copy of all records referring or relating to the failure of plaintiff to meet the advancement criteria in the Advancement and Dismissal Policy of Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

18. Produce a copy of all letters or written communications placing Lisa Brown on academic probation status at any time.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

19. Produce a copy of all policy statements about work assignments, educational requirements, program expectations, and job duties of all residents in Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is vague, ambiguous, overly broad and unduly burdensome. Notwithstanding this objection, but without waiving it, defendant will produce responsive documents setting forth policies that were in effect during plaintiff's participation in Hamot's Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program.

20. Produce a copy of all performance evaluations for all residents in Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act.

Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

21. Produce a copy of all e-mails and electronic documents which refer or relate to Brown's performance in Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is overly broad and unduly burdensome, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the attorney-client and/or work product privilege. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

22. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to the modification or elimination of any Orthopaedic Residency Program advancement criteria for plaintiff.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

23. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to plaintiff's absence from residency assignments.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

24. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to other residents' lack of confidence in plaintiff's ability.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

25. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to the assignment of Mary Beth Cermak as plaintiff's preceptor.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

26. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to the February 2004 meeting among plaintiff, Jim Seeds, and Jeff Nechleba.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

27. Produce a copy of all documents interpreting the phrase "proper cause" as used in Section 3, Paragraph 1 of Hamot's Resident Agreement of Appointment in the Graduate Program in Medical Education between Brown and Hamot for the period of July 1, 2003 to June 30, 2004, or in any other Resident Agreement of Appointment.

Response: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it seeks documents or information subject to the attorney-client and/or work product privilege. Subject to and without waiving this objection, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

28. Produce a copy of all Orthopaedic In-Training Examination (OITE) test results for all residents in Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

29. Produce a copy of all documents which refer or relate to how Hamot considers or evaluates resident performance on the OITE.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

30. Produce a copy of all documents created or reviewed by the Grievance Committee regarding Brown's grievance relating to the non-renewal of her contract with Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

31. Produce a copy of all documents created or reviewed by the Medical Education Committee, Medical Staff Executive Committee, or Board of Directors regarding Brown's grievance relating to her termination from Hamot's Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

32. Produce a copy of all documents, including notes and e-mails, presented to the Medical Education Committee, Medical Staff Executive Committee, or Board of Directors regarding the non-renewal of plaintiff's contract or the consideration of her grievance.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

33. Produce a copy of all documents, including notes and e-mails, reviewed by the Medical Education Committee, Medical Staff Executive Committee, or Board of Directors regarding the non-renewal of plaintiff's contract or the consideration of her grievance.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

34. Produce a copy of all documents, including notes and e-mails, that were created as a result of the review by the Medical Education Committee, Medical Staff Executive Committee, or Board of Directors of the non-renewal of plaintiff's contract or the consideration of her grievance.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

35. Produce a copy of all documents created or stored by the Department of Human Resources or its equivalent regarding Brown's performance, performance evaluations, non-renewal of contract, and grievance.

Response: Defendant objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents protected from discovery by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Subject to and without waiving this objective, responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

36. Produce a copy of all documents that refer or relate to any training provided to, or attended by, the faculty of resident programs regarding equal employment opportunity (such as the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act; or the Pennsylvania Human Relations Act), or Hamot personnel rules.

Response: Defendant objects to this requests because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Subject to and without waiving this objection, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

37. Produce a copy of all documents referring or relating to any production or exchange of information about plaintiff's performance by, between, or among the following persons: John D. Lubahn; John T. Malone; James A. Pepicello; Donald K. Inderlied; John D. Albert, II; or Pat Rogers.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

38. Produce a copy of all performance valuations, or their equivalent, for attending physicians and faculty in the Orthopaedic Residency Program.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act.

39. Produce a copy of all personnel files of attending physicians and faculty of the Orthopaedic Residency Program from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence, and further

objects to the extent it seeks documents related to a time period prior to July 1, 2001. Defendant further objects to this request because disclosure of the requested documents would violate the privacy interests of its current and former residents in the Orthopaedic Surgery Residency Program. Defendant also objects to the extent information sought by this request is protected from disclosure by the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act. Notwithstanding these objections, but without waiving them, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

40. Produce copies of all diaries, calendars, telephone logs, appointment books, and e-mail from the following persons with entries that refer or relate to Lisa Brown: John D. Lubahn; John T. Malone; James A. Pepicello; Donald K. Inderlied; John D. Albert, II; and Pat Rogers.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is overbroad and unduly burdensome and because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Notwithstanding this objection, but without waiving, defendant will produce responsive documents in its possession, custody or control.

41. Produce a copy of all written complaints made or filed against Hamot for employment discrimination from July 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is overbroad and unduly burdensome and because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Defendant further objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents related to the time period prior to July 1, 2001.

42. Produce a copy of all documents which refer to breach of employment contracts involving Hamot from 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is overbroad and unduly burdensome and because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to

the discovery of admissible evidence. Defendant further objects to the request to the extent it seeks documents related to the time period prior to July 1, 2001.

43. Produce a copy of all complaints, derogatory information, or its equivalent about the performance of attending physicians in the Orthopaedic Residency Program from any source, including patients, residents, staff, or colleagues, from 1995 to the present.

Response: Defendant objects to this request because it is overbroad and unduly burdensome and because it seeks documents that are neither relevant nor likely to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence. Defendant further objects to the request because it seeks information and/or documents protected from discovery by Pennsylvania Peer Review Act.

44. Produce a copy of all documents that support your defenses to the Complaint filed by Brown against Hamot in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Response: Responsive documents in defendant's possession, custody or control will be produced as requested.

45. Produce a copy of all statements, interviews, or reports which Hamot has obtained from any individuals regarding the claims in plaintiff's Complaint.

Response: Defendant objects to this request to the extent it seeks disclosure of information that is protected by the attorney-client privilege or the work product doctrine and/or the Pennsylvania Peer Review Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 3rd day of June, 2005, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by telecopy and by federal express to:

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By Federal Express

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am enclosing defendant's responses to Ms. Brown's document requests as well as the responsive documents. As you will note, we withheld some confidential documents pending the parties' execution of a confidentiality agreement. Please provide us with a proposed confidentially agreement at your earliest convenience. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely

Ziad Haddad

cc:

Mark J. Kuhar, Esq.

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am enclosing documents bearing Bates nos. HMC-00240 through 00897. If you have any questions, please call me.

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Sincerely.

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am writing to follow up on my letter dated August 8, 2005 and our telephone conversation today regarding discovery matters in the above-referenced case.

Since my August 8 letter, I have re-confirmed that we have produced everything that our client has regarding residents who did not complete the program (Requests 10-12), any disciplinary or remedial action against residents (Requests 14-16), how Hamot considers the OITE (Request 29), plaintiff's discharge (Requests 30-34), any exchange of information among supervisors and reviewers about plaintiff's performance (Request 37), any diaries, calendars, appointment books with entries relating to Dr. Brown (Request 40), and any e-mail correspondence regarding plaintiff's performance and/or discharge.

As for plaintiff's request for the personnel files of orthopedic attending physicians (Request 39), we have confirmed that Hamot Medical Center does not generally maintain personnel files for attending physicians because they are not Hamot employees. Hamot does have written contracts with six of the sixteen orthopedic attending physicians that allow them to receive compensation on a per diem basis for certain services rendered on Hamot's behalf. We have asked Hamot to forward those contracts to us so we can determine whether they are in any way relevant to this case. After we review the contracts, we will decide whether to produce them. Given the likelihood that such records would be of no value to you in this case, we ask that you refrain from filing any motion to compel their production at least until we inform you of our decision as to whether they will be produced.

Hamot also has located some anonymous evaluations of attending physicians that were submitted by various residents of Hamot in addition to those that already have been produced. We will produce these evaluations to you as soon as possible.

Patrick Sorek, Esq. August 10, 2005 Page 2

Finally, we are still checking on the availability of the individuals you would like to depose and will provide you with available dates when we have them.

Sincerely

Ziad Haddad

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am enclosing documents bearing Bates nos. Confidential HMC-00898 through 00966. These documents include the evaluations of attending physicians referred to in my August 10, 2005 letter as well as Don Inderlied's notes from the Medical Education Committee meetings concerning Lisa Brown's termination that we recently obtained. If you have any questions, please call me.

Ziad Haddad

Sincerely

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am enclosing documents bearing Bates nos. Confidential HMC-00967 through 01026 that were recently located. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely.

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September 7, 2005

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Re: Brown v. Hamot Medical Center

Dear Mr. Sorek:

I am enclosing documents bearing Bates nos. Confidential HMC-01161 through 01165 which we previously produced during the depositions this past week. If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely

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July 29, 2004

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VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

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Re:

Lisa Brown, M.D.

Notice to Preserve Documents

Dear Mr. Inderlied:

As you may know, on July 16, 2004, Dr. Brown filed a Charge of Discrimination with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission regarding her termination.

We write to place Hamot Medical Center on notice that the Code of Federal Regulations, 29 C.F.R. § 1602.14, requires that the Medical Center preserve all records relevant to the Charge. These materials include, but are not limited to, records having to do with hiring, promotion, demotion, transfer, lay-off or termination, rates of pay or other terms of compensation, and selection for training, of the Medical Center's residents. The personnel files of current and former residents are included as relevant documents, as they will be used for comparative information. In addition, the Medical Center should take care to preserve all electronic communications related to Dr. Brown's termination. Such electronic records can be easily lost or destroyed if not affirmatively safeguarded.

You should also know that should the EEOC process, which requires preservation of these records, prove unsuccessful, they will be requested as part of discovery in a lawsuit. While your own counsel can advise you about this issue, the loss or destruction of records that are relevant to a legal action can have serious adverse consequences for the party that fails to preserve them. You should also be advised that witnesses will be asked about their preservation of relevant records in any lawsuit.

We ask that you take whatever steps are necessary to make the persons at the Medical Center responsible for record keeping aware of these obligations.



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Thank you for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

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5		5	A. Yes.
6		6	Q. Okay. What is your education, beginning with high
7		7	school?
8	EXHIBITS:	8	 A. I graduated in 1960 from West Geauga High School
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14	•	14	School of Industrial Administration from Carnegie Mellon
15		15	University.
16		16	Q. The graduate program, what was the name of it
17		17	again? Executive
18		18	A. It was the Executive Management Graduate Program
19		19	of the Graduate Institute of wait a minute. GS
20		20	Graduate School of Industrial Administration, at Carnegie
21		21	Mellon in Pittsburgh.
22		22	Q. What were the subjects of study in that program?
23		23	A. They're general management, finance, accounting,
24		24	human behavioral sciences, human relations, economics. I
25		25	can't remember them all at the moment, but a comprehensive
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- 2 By virtue of being the Human Resource Department.
- 3 Q. And what, generally, are in the human resource
 - files; personnel files?
 - A. Yes.

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- Q. Okay. Compensation? Discipline? Promotions? 6
- 7 A. Yes, sir. I also have -- would have oversight, I
- 8 guess, of the employee health records. Those are maintained
- separate from the personnel files, in the Employee Health
- 10 Department.
- 11 Q. If there is any disciplinary action against an
- 12 employee, is that something that would be in a file that's
- 13 accessible to you, or is that somewhere else?
- 14 A. That would be in a file that would be accessible
- 15 to me. Can I clarify that it depends on what disciplinary
- 16 action you're talking about.
- 17 Q. Of course, you can clarify. And so you're
- 18 thinking of some distinction. And what is the distinction
- 19 that you're thinking in terms of access to records that you
- 20 have?
- 21 A. If it was involved in, for example, some other
- 22 area, wasn't specifically with an employee of Hamot, I would
- 23 not have access to that.
- 24 Q. What do you mean by that; not an employee of
- 25 Hamot?

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- 1 e-mail. Do you agree with that?
 - A. Yes, sir.
 - Q. And what did you do in response to this letter?
 - A. I informed the individuals involved that they
- should save all records pertaining to this case.
 - Q. And who did you inform?
 - A. I believe I drafted a memo or sent a memo to --
- I'm not positive -- to Dr. Albert, I believe Dr. Lubahn,
- Dr. Pepicello. And I'm not sure if there -- there may have
- been another individual.
- 11 Q. Do you know whether you produced that memo to us pursuant to our requests for production of documents?
 - A. If it was in my -- if it was in my file, we did,
- 14 yes, sir.
- 15 MR. SOREK: I don't think I've seen it yet, but 16
 - we'll have to talk about that later.
- MS. RICHARD: All right. I'll look for it, if we 17
 - have not produced it.
 - MR. SOREK: Okay.
 - Q. How did you decide who to send your memo to?
 - A. They were the individuals that were involved with
- 22 Lisa Brown.
 - Q. But Dr. Pepicello wouldn't have records about Lisa
- 24 Brown, would he?
 - But he was the chief medical officer.

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- A. (No response.)
- 2 Q. You just said that if it was involved, for
- 3 example, in some area that wasn't specifically an employee
- of Hamot, I would not have access to that. What do you mean
- 5 by wasn't specifically an employee of Hamot?
 - A. It might be a contractor that we have.
- 7 Q. I'm going to ask you to take a look at the next --
- 8 it's the fourth and fifth pages in the exhibit that you
- 9
- 10 MS. RICHARD: Can you refer to them by Bates
- 11 numbers, or is that the one that's not Bates?
- 12 MR. SOREK: This is the one that's not Bates
- 13 numbered.
- 14 MS. RICHARD: Okay. Can we identify it for the
- 15 record, then, as a letter dated July 29th, 2004 on
- 16 Leech Tishman letterhead?
- 17 MR. SOREK: Absolutely.
- 18 Q. Ask you to take a look at that document,
- 19 Mr. Inderlied.
- 20 A. (Witness complies.)
- 21 Q. Have you ever seen that July 29th, 2004 letter
- 22 from my office before?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 Q. All right. And this is a letter from my office
- discussing preservation of records and preservation of

- Page 21 Q. But this is about preserving records. I mean, you
- were advising him to preserve any records, right?

 - Q. But you weren't sure what he had, I guess. Did
- you know what kind of records he had?
 - A. No, I did not.
- 7 Q. Pat Rogers didn't get a copy of your memo, did
- 8 she?
 - A. I don't believe she did.
 - Q. Does your memo also talk about preserving e-mails?
 - A. I would have to refer back to it, if it did
- 12 specifically.
- 13 Q. Now, you're aware of requests for production of
- 14 documents that Dr. Brown served in this case, aren't you?

 - Did you have any role in responding to those
- 17 requests for production?
 - A. Any role?
- 19 Q. We asked for documents through this formal request
- 20 with all the questions.
 - A. Right.
- Q. You saw it, right? 22
 - A. Yes, sir.
- 24 Q. And were you one of the people who were part of
- the process of finding documents in response to the

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- 1 have any more; is that right? You said to Counsel, I don't
- 2 have any more documents, I've looked. Did you ever say that
- 3 to Counsel?

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- I don't believe I ever said that.
- 5 MS. RICHARD: I'm going to --
 - MR, SOREK: All right.
- 7 MS. RICHARD: -- object only because we're getting
- 8 into the realm of attorney/client privilege here.
- 9 MR. SOREK: Okav.
- 10 Q. All right. I guess what I'm getting at is, you
- 11 said that you were asked to look for documents, and that you
- 12 didn't find documents each time. I'm assuming that at some
- 13 point you exhausted your search and couldn't find any more
- 14 because there was nothing new to find; is that right?
- 15 A. I presume that's true, yes, sir.
 - Q. I mean, I'm asking you what you did. So are you
- 17 presuming?
 - A. I looked for documents. When I was asked to look
- 19 for documents, I looked for documents. If I didn't find
- 20 documents, I said there are no documents.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. It didn't mean I didn't go back and look.
- 23 Q. I understand. And I'm trying to distinguish that.
- 24 A. Right.
- 25 Q. Counsel has produced documents pursuant to our

- Page 28 North Carolina; Fort Bliss, Texas; and the Republic of South
- 2 Vietnam.

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- 3 Q. What were your duties?
 - A. I was a rifle infantry platoon leader. When I was
- 5 in Vietnam, I was a member of a five-man advisory team that
- 6 lived with the North Vietnamese along the Kuvia River in
- 7 North Vietnam, just south of North Vietnam.
 - Q. When you say you lived with them, you were --
 - A. Lived with them.
 - Q. They were --
 - A. We were military advisers to the South Vietnamese
- 12 Army.
 - Q. What rank did you eventually hold?
- 14 A. First lieutenant.
- 15 Q. Have you ever heard the phrase Title VII? Do you
- 16 know what Title VII means?
- 17 A. I'm sure I've heard of it. I don't --
 - Q. It's more legal shorthand.
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. To describe a federal law, a federal
- 21 anti-discrimination law, that basically prohibits the sort
- 22 of discrimination that you just mentioned; race, sex,
- 23 religion, national origin. Have you ever had any training
- 24 in Title VII or -- let me back up. Have you ever had any
- 5 training in anti-discrimination law?

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- first request four separate times. Do you know why the
- 2 production has come in kind of sequence or increments?
- A. No, sir.
- 4 Q. Did you have any role in supervising the
- 5 production of documents?
- A. No, sir.
- 7 Q. Did you ever instruct Ms. Ashley or anybody else
- 8 where to find documents?
- 9 A. No, sir.
- 10 Q. Are you able to say whether you've produced all of
- 11 the documents that are responsive to these requests in Pat
- 12 Rogers Exhibit 8?
- 13 A. All of those have been produced, to the best of my
- 14 knowledge.
- 15 Q. You're aware of the term equal employment
- 16 opportunity, right?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 Q. And how would you define it?
- 19 A. Equal opportunity is providing opportunity without
- 20 discrimination to individuals, regardless of race, creed,
- 21 religion, sex, or sexual orientation, including Vietnam-era
- 22 veterans.
- 23 Q. By the way, where were you posted in the Army?
- 24 A. I was in Fort Bragg -- or Fort Dix, New Jersey.
 - Fort Benning, Georgia; Fort Carson, Colorado; Fort Bragg,

- A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. Could you describe it for us.
- 3 A. In conferences and seminars over my career.
- 4 Q. And who gave the conferences and seminars?
- A. More than likely, either national societies;
- 5 Society for Human Resource Management. Or in some cases, 1
- 7 believe the presenters of those were legal counsel.
- 8 Q. And what do you remember from these conferences
- 9 about anti-discrimination laws?
 - A. It's against the law to discriminate.
 - Q. Did you learn anything else about how to avoid
- 12 breaking the law, the anti-discrimination laws?
- 13 A. I'm sure we did. I can't speak specifically to
- 14 what that was at this time.
- 15 Q. Okay. When was the last conference or seminar you
- 16 went to that had an anti-discrimination component?
- 17 A. Probably five years ago.
 - Q. Are there other employees at Hamot that have
- 19 similar experience in anti-discrimination law?
- 20 A. The individuals within our Human Resource
- 21 Department.
- 22 Q. Okay.
 - A. I'm sorry.
- 24 Q. Like who?
- 25 A. People in our employment group, employee relations

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Brown v. Hamot Medical Center Patricia Rogers Document 19-2 Filed 11/11/2005 Case 1:05-cv-00032-MBC Page 10 Page 12 the rules and regulations set forth by them. 1 1 A. I kept all of their cash. And when they would 2 Q. How often do they do that? 2 need cash for things, we would go over what they were going 3 A. It depends on what -- how you've done in previous 3 to spend it on and how they were going to spend it. 4 vears. 4 Q. So this was a resident facility. 5 Q. So you've gone to the ARCOS meeting for the past 5 A. Yes. 6 two years. 6 Q. After Pegasus, what did you do? 7 A. Yes. 7 After Pegasus, I came to Hamot. 8 Q. Anything else you remember about learning at those 8 What year? 9 meetings? 9 1992. Α. 10 A. No 10 In what capacity? 11 Q. What's your work experience after graduating high 11 I was marketing assistant. 12 school? 12 Q. Okay. Who was your boss? 13 A. After graduating high school, I worked at the Erie 13 John Monocello. 14 Chamber of Commerce for five years. 14 Q. Is he still at Hamot? 15 Q. And what did you do? 15 A. Yes. 16 A. I was the production person. I did newsletters 16 Q. What's his title? 17 and typing and clerk kind of things. 17 A. I don't know. 18 Q. How about after that? 18 Q. When was the last time you talked to him? 19 A. After that, I had children. 19 Two weeks ago. 20 O. Um-hum. 20 Q. You don't know what his title is? 21 A. And then I worked part-time for a couple of years. 21 A. I don't know what his title is. 22 Q. At what? 22 Q. And you went from marketing assistant to what 23 A. At a little grocery store in our neighborhood. 23 position at Hamot? 24 Q. And that takes us to about when, what year? 24 A. Orthopaedic residency coordinator. 25 A. Until 1984, I was the administrator/secretary at 25 Q. How did you get that job? Page 11 Page 13 our church. 1 A. I interviewed for the position, 1 2 Q. Give me the years you had that position. 2 Who did you interview with? 3 A. 1984 to 1988. 3 A. Dr. Lubahn, Dr. Van Voris, Chuck Walczak. 4 Q. And was that a paid position? Q. And who is Chuck Walczak? 5 A. Yes. 5 A. He used to be an employee at Hamot. And he was 6 Q. How many hours a week did you work at that 6 part of the orthopaedic service line leader. 7 position? 7 Q. What is a service line leader? 8 A. Full-time. 8 I don't really know. 9 Q. And after '88, then what? 9 Q. Was he part of the orthopaedic program? 10 A. In 1988 I became the business manager at Pegasus, 10 A. No. 11 which was a head injury facility. 11 Q. Do you know why he was someone who was 12 Q. How did you get that job? 12 interviewing you? 13 A. Interviewed. 13 A. I think that he may have been in charge of 14 Q. Did you see a notice in the newspaper or something 14 orthopaedics as a department, but I'm not real sure exactly 15 like that? 15 what his role was, to be honest. 16 A. Yes. 16 Q. So after the interview, did you ever have any 17 Q. And what were your duties at Pegasus? 17 contact with Mr. Walczak? A. My duties at Pegasus were to run the office, do 18 18 A. Not much. 19 all the books, make sure the accounts payable and receivable 19 Q. And what year did you become the program 20 were taken care of. 20 coordinator? 21 Q. Anything else? 21 A. 1993. 22 A. Worked -- helped some of the clients. Worked with 22 Q. What are your duties as the program coordinator? 23 their money. 23 A. Are you asking me what were my duties? 24 Q. What kind of relationship did you have with the 24 Q. Well, let's -- probably cover all of them. 25 clients such that you would help them with their money? 25 A. My current position or in my -- I'm not clear on

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Brown v. Hamot Medical Center Patricia Rogers Case 1:05-cv-00032-MBC Document 19-Filed 11/11/2005 Page 18 Page 20 program follows Green Book requirements? A. Where they live, their telephone number, their 1 1 2 A. Right. 2 degrees, where they went to medical school, what year they 3 Q. And recordkeeping? 3 graduated medical school. We put all of the conferences. Every conference lecture that is given is input into 4 A. Right. 5 Q. And alumni -- working with alumni, I think you their -- and then if they attend the conference, that's put 6 said. 6 in. So we know who's been at what conference, 7 A. Right. 7 Q. Okay. So when you say a conference, some 8 Q. Anything else besides that, with regard to 8 statistical information about there was a conference at Peek 9 'N Peak on such and such day on hip replacement, and the orthopaedics? 9 10 A. No. following attended. Is that fair to say? Is it something Q. Recordkeeping; what -- what kind of records do you 11 like that, or is it something else? 11 12 come in contact with? 12 A. There's a conference every day. 13 A. All residents have their own file, their own 13 Q. Okay. 14 personnel file. 14 A. There's a lecture every day, a didactic lecture 15 Q. Who keeps it? 15 every day. 16 A. I do. It's in my office. I keep all of their 16 Q. You're talking about the morning conferences. 17 17 evaluations on the GME Toolkit. A. Right. Q. A little bit about the GME Toolkit. What is it? 18 18 Q. So when you say that gets on there, how does it 19 A. The GME Toolkit is an electronic recordkeeper for 19 get on there? 20 us. It's web-based. And all of our evaluations are, for 20 A. I put it in, or our secretary. 21 some programs, case logs, things like that, are kept on 21 Q. Where do you get the information? 22 22 A. A lecture schedule is put out every month. there. 23 Q. Let's talk about evaluations. Are all evaluations 23 Q. You're the one who compiles the lecture schedule, 24 of all orthopaedic residents done on this Toolkit? 24 aren't you? 25 25 A. With the chief resident, for orthopaedics. All A. Yes. Page 19 Page 21 the programs are different. 1 Q. And the Toolkit is what; it's a software program, 1 2 right? 2 Q. Okay. So we're going to set aside the osteopathic 3 programs for now. So somewhere in this Toolkit is a list of A. Yes. all of the morning conferences that the orthopaedic 4 Q. And where did you get it? 5 A. Where did we buy it from? residents have been to; is that right? A. Correct. 6 Q. Yes. If you did buy it. 7 A. The company was called GME Toolkit, Data Harbor. Q. And do you put it in all at once when you settle Q. Did you have anything to do with acquiring this 8 on the schedule with the chief resident, or how does that 8 9 work? 9 bit of software? 10 10 A. After the schedule is sent out to everybody, it A. No. usually goes to our secretary, who inputs it at some time 11 O. No, you didn't. 11 12 A. No. during that month. And then all of the sign-in sheets come 13 Q. How long have you been using it? back to us at the end of the month, and then they're put in, 14 A. I think two-and-a-half years. 14 who attended. 15 Q. And do you know why it was acquired? 15 . Q. Okay. And what's the purpose of keeping this A. So that there would be one place for everything to information on the GME Toolkit? 16 17 17 be. One place for all the evaluations, conferences. A. The purpose is so that you can run a report, see 18 Everything would be in one area. 18 who's been at morning conference, who hasn't. For the site 19 Q. I would like to know -- when you say one place for reviewer, they want to know what lectures we had. They want everything, I want to know what everything is. And so you 20 to know who's attended. We can pull all that information up 20 21 talked about evaluations and conferences. What is the 21 easily. 22 22 Q. And the GME of GME Toolkit, what does that stand "everything" that's in this program?

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A. Graduate medical education.

Q. What else do you have in this Toolkit?

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Q. What does that mean?

A. There are all the demographics, all the resident

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Q. Did you look?

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A. Me or the program director.

need to document something?

Q. And what do you use to decide whether there is a

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Q. Do you have any records about -- does the name

12 on call. That kind of thing.

13 Q. Are you supposed to keep track of who's in the 14 hospital and who's not in the hospital, in terms of making a 15 call schedule?

16 A. Yes.

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Q. Just get back to the records for a minute. We

18 talked earlier about Mr. Inderlied coming to you at some

19 point last year and asking for records relating to Lisa

Brown, correct? 20

21 A. Correct.

22 Q. Is there any other time that anyone asked you for 23 records relating to Lisa Brown?

24 MS. RICHARD: You can answer to the extent that it 25 doesn't require you to disclose attorney/client

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A. I have seen this document. I had not seen this document.

MS. RICHARD: For the sake of the record, when you say "this document," specify what it is.

A. I have seen the memo that states ambassador of the month. I had not seen the two sheets with the signatures on

them.

Q. Okay. Let me ask you to look at the second page of Exhibit 1. Do you see -- do you see what appears to be

22 the name Pat Rogers written in the middle of the page? 23

A. Yes.

24 Q. Did you write that?

25 A. Yes.

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A. Yes

13 (Recess held from 11:39 a.m. to 11:53 a.m.) 14 Q. Ms. Rogers, when Mr. Inderlied asked you to look 15 for documents related to Dr. Brown, where did you look? 16 A. I keep the residents' files in my file cabinet in my office. I looked there. Previous to the GME Toolkit, 17 18 evaluations were kept in a binder. So I went to the binder 19 and took the evaluations from the binder. Checked my 20 archive e-mail to see if there was any e-mail that needed to

13 documentation, I don't know the date. 14 Q. Do you remember it being -- as being around the 15 time Dr. Brown received her termination letter? 16 A. Yes. 17 Q. Did you help draft the letter? 18 A. No. 19 Q. Do you know who did draft the letter? 20 A. I'm assuming Dr. Lubahn. 21 You know there was a Grievance Committee that Dr. 22 Brown invoked to review the termination of her contract,

Q. Did you provide any documents to the committee?

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be downloaded and put -- to be given to you, or to

Q. What's the oldest e-mail you have in the archive?

A. I don't know. Because we change the e-mail

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systems, so.

13 A. 1948. 14 Q. Those are under your control, right? 15 16 Q. Have you gone to any lectures or seminars from any 17

of your professional organizations about probation or termination of residents? A. I'm sure that we've talked about that in some of these meetings, but I don't remember specifically. Q. Does the hospital offer any training or seminars or lectures about termination of doctors? A. No. Q. Termination of other employees? A. I've not been to them.

Dr. Williams wrote in her file, about that issue. And this

is more what Dr. Lubahn and I talked about, was, you know,

if something came up, he would ask if I would please put

this in her file. Or that -- it was that kind of 15

conversation. It wasn't -- did we chitchat about what was going on; no.

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Q. Did you ever chitchat with Dr. Lubahn about what was going on with Dr. Brown?

20 A. Not very often. 21

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Q. How about the times when you did?

22 A. The times where we did were items, you know, that

things that had come up, like this Dr. Williams thing, or

24 the ED thing, when something would -- when something

happened, he would ask me, you know, did you -- did you get

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March 1, 2004

Lisa Brown, MD 5459 CiderMill Road Erie, PA 16509

Dear Dr. Brown:

Based on clinical performance and concerns regarding your current knowledge base in orthopaedics for the PGY-3 level, I have decided not to renew your contract at the end of this academic year, June 30, 2004. The decision is a difficult one for me as for the entire faculty, but I believe it to be the best for all concerned.

During the remainder of this academic year, any failure on your part to provide competent care as outlined in your contract, such as not responding to patient consults or calls from the emergency room will result in immediate termination.

Sincerely,

John D. Lubahn, MD Program Director

Hand delivered by John D Woohn March 1, 200

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	2)	Documents procedures accurately and in a timely manner	1	2	(3)	4	5 NA
	3)	Has plan for tests and consults and interprets test results correctly	1	2	(3)	4	5 NA
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	1)	Demonstrates interest and desire to learn by asking questions and through reading	1	2	3	4	5 NA
	2)	Cooperative/team attitude with faculty, colleagues and staff	1	2	3	4	5 NA
	3)	Self-directed, motivated and organized	1	2	3)	4	5 NA
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	1)	Patient Care: provides compassionate care that is effective for the promotion of health, prevention, and treatment	1	2	3	4	5 NA
1	2)	Medical Knowledge: demonstrates knowledge of biomedical, clinical and social sciences, and applies that knowledge effectively to patient compared to the compa	i (2	3	4 5) NA
3	3)	Practice-Based Learning and Improvement uses evidence and methods to investigate, evaluate, and improve his/her patient care practice.		2 (3	4 5	NA
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5)	Professionalism: demonstrates behaviors that reflect an ongoing commitment to continuous professional development, ethical practice, sensitivity, and responsible attitudes	1 ;	2	3	5	NA
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